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SUBJECT: NATHANIEL FOLEY & BRENDA SIPE AT THE KREMPP GALLERY

EXHIBIT DATES: APRIL 1-30, 2015

RECEPTION & GALLERY TALK: APRIL 9th, 5-7 PM

The Krempp Gallery at the Jasper Arts Center is pleased to present the work of Findlay, Ohio artist, Nathaniel Foley and Grand Rapids, Michigan artist, Brenda Sipe. Foley creates mixed media sculptures, and Sipe works in oil and graphite.

Nathaniel Foley's large sculptures focus primarily on aviation process, material and language. However, the work does not overtly communicate to the viewer that the sculpture has been influenced by aviation. Foley states, "The viewer of my sculpture must strive to find meaning, hence their ambiguity." Through Foley's research of the physics that occur during flight, such as airflow, air pressure, vapor clouds, and sound waves, he has discovered interesting shapes and forms. "Not only are the forms that occur around the aircraft during flight engaging, the forms of the aircraft themselves draw me to investigate the subtle details", says Foley.

Brenda Sipe works with both traditional and explorative materials on a variety of surfaces, influenced heavily by nature. She works equally fluently with paint, on fiber, canvas, and paper. Sipe's work evolves experimentally with pieces being reworked multiple times to achieve the final result. Her focus is on the metaphors inherent in the work, and her goal is clarity of vision and purpose.

Nathaniel Foley holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Ceramics and Sculpture from Eastern Michigan University, and a Master of Fine Arts degree in Sculpture from Miami University. Brenda Sipe holds an Associates of Art in Art and English from Grand Rapids Community College, a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Painting and Public Administration from Grand Valley State University and a Master of Fine Arts degree from Michigan State University. To learn more about the artists, visit their websites at www.nathanielfoley.com and www.brendasipe.com.

Join us at the Art Center for an opening reception at the Krempp Gallery on Thursday, April 9th, 2015 from 5 to 7 pm. Enjoy an evening of art, food, cash bar, music and fun!

The Krempp Gallery, located in the Jasper Arts Center adjacent to the VUJC campus, is open to the public Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 5 pm, until 7 pm on Thursdays, and Sunday from noon to 3 pm. School groups, clubs and students are welcome. Admission is free.

For more information, please call the Art Center at 482-3070. The Jasper Arts Center is managed by the Jasper Community Arts Commission, a department of the City of Jasper. The JCAC is supported by the Friends of the Arts, Inc., the Indiana Arts Commission through its regional partner the Vanderburgh Community Foundation, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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